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E. O. 12065: RDS-3 5/20/2000 (CHRISTOPHER, W.)

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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO PRIME MINISTER OHIRA

1. (C. - ENTIRE TEXT.)

2. AMBASSADOR IS REQUESTED TO DELIVER THE FOLLOWING LETTER
FROM THE PRESIDENT TO PRIME MINISTER OHIRA. BEGIN FYI:
A SIMILAR MESSAGE IS ALSO BEING SENT TO PRIME MINISTER
COSSIGA IN HIS EC PRESIDENCY CAPACITY, TO BE PASSED TO HIS
EC-9 COLLEAGUES, INCLUDING THE BRITISH. END FYI.

3. BEGIN TEXT. DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER: I WANT TO CON-
VEY TO YOU MY SATISFACTION AT THE DECISION OF YOUR GOVERN-
MENT TO ADOPT ACTIONS EQUIVALENT TO THOSE DECIDED BY THE
MEMBERS OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AT THE RECENT MEETING IN
NAPLES. WE APPRECIATE THE SOLIDARITY WHICH THESE MEASURES
REPRESENT AND ARE CONVINCED THEY WILL BE HELPFUL IN REACH-
ING OUR URGENT MUTUAL GOAL OF ENDING THE DANGEROUS SITU-
ATION CREATED BY THE CONTINUED INTOLERABLE DETENTION OF THE
HOSTAGES IN IRAN.

I HAVE BEEN DISTURBED TO LEARN OF THE LEGISLATIVE PROBLEMS
IN ONE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY MEMBER COUNTRY WHICH RISK

WEAKENING THE IMPACT OF THE SANCTIONS AGREED UPON. WE
WOULD REGARD WITH DEEP CONCERN ANY INDICATION THAT THE
PREVIOUS DECISIONS WERE THREATENING TO UNRAVEL. I KNOW
THAT YOU ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE UNFORTUNATE SIGNAL SUCH
SIGNS OF DISUNITY WOULD SEND TO THE IRANIAN AUTHORITIES.
I THEREFORE STRONGLY HOPE THAT JAPAN AND THE MEMBERS OF
THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY WILL PROCEED AS PLANNED WITH THE UNI-
FORM AND RIGOROUS APPLICATION OF THE AGREED MEASURES EN-
VISIONED IN THE JANUARY 10 DRAFT RESOLUTION OF THE
SECURITY COUNCIL. I HAVE ALSO CONVEYED THESE VIEWS TO
HEADS OF GOVERNMENT OF THE EC-9, THROUGH PRIME MINISTER
COSSIGA AS EC PRESIDENT.

I LOOK FORWARD TO THE OPPORTUNITY WE WILL HAVE TO DISCUSS
THIS AND OTHER MAJOR ISSUES IN ITALY. WITH BEST PERSONAL
REGARDS, SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER. END TEXT.
MUSKIE

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